

MONTANA GAMBLING LICENSES, PERMITS, AND TAXES

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GAMBLING LICENSES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>STATUTORY CITE (MCA)</u>
Operator	One-time application fee commensuate with processing costs	100% retained by Dept. of Justice	23-5-177, MCA
Card Dealer	\$75 1st year ¹ \$25 to renew	Same as above	23-5-308, MCA
Card Room Contractor	\$150/yr	Same as above	23-5-324, MCA
Manufacturer- Distributor	One-time application fee commensuate with processing costs plus \$1,000/yr license fee	Same as above	23-5-625, MCA
Manufacturer of Gambling Devices not Authorized in Montana	Same as above ²	Same as above	23-5-152, MCA
Electronic Live Bingo/Keno Equipment Manufacturer	Same as above	Same as above	23-5-424, MCA
Sports Tab Card Manufacturer	Same as above	Same as above	23-5-115,502, 503, MCA

¹No fee is charged for a 90-day temporary card dealer license. (23-5-308, MCA)

²No application processing fee or license fee is charged if the manufacturer-distributor is licensed as a manufacturer-distributor under 23-5-625, MCA. (ARM 23.16.2001)

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GAMBLING PERMITS

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>STATUTORY CITE (MCA)</u>
Live Card Game Table	\$250/yr for 1st table \$500/yr for each add'l table ¹	\$100/table retained by Department of Justice with remainder to local governments	23-5-306, MCA
Live Bingo/ Keno	\$250/yr for each premises ²	100% retained by Department of Justice	23-5-407, MCA
Video Gambling machine	\$200/yr for each machine	50% retained by Department of Justice with remainder to local governments	23-5-612, MCA
Live Card Game Tournament	\$10/tournament	100% retained by Department of Justice	23-5-317, MCA
Casino Night Permit	\$25/casino night	Same as above	23-5-705, MCA

¹A senior citizen center is exempt from the live card game table fee. (23-5-310, MCA)

²An organization qualified for exemption under 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3), (c)(4), (c)(8), or (c)(19) on 01/15/89 or a senior citizen center, retirement home, or nursing home is exempt from the live bingo/keno permit fee. A 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3), (c)(4), (c)(8), or (c)(19) organization qualified for federal exemption after 01/15/89 is exempt from one-half the permit fee. (23-5-406 and 410, MCA)

GAMBLING TAXES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>STATUTORY CITE (MCA)</u>
Live Bingo/ Keno	1 % of gross proceeds (pd. annually) ¹	100 % to local governments	23-5-409, MCA
Video Gambling Machine	15 % of gross machine income (pd. quarterly)	33 1/3 % to state general fund and 66 2/3 % to local governments	23-5-610, MCA
Sports Tab Game	\$1/sports tab card (100 tabs)	100 % retained by Department of Justice	23-5-502, MCA

¹An organization qualified for exemption under 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3), (c)(4), (c)(8), or (c)(19) or a senior citizen center, retirement home, or nursing home is exempt from the live bingo/keno tax (23-5-406 and 410, MCA)

GAMBLING ACTIVITIES
BET AND PAYOUT LIMITS

	<u>BET</u>	<u>PAYOUT</u>
Video Gambling Machines	\$2	\$100/Poker \$800/Keno/Bingo
Live Card Games	None	\$300
Live Bingo/Keno	\$.50	\$100
Raffles	None	\$500 (Except Nonprofit)
Sports Pools/Tabs	\$5	\$500
Calcutta Pools	None	None
Shake-A-Day	\$.50	None
Shaking for Drink	None	None
Shaking for Music	None	\$2
Fishing Derbies and Natural Occurrences	None	None
Casino Nights	None	None
Fantasy Sports Leagues	None	None

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GAMBLING ACTIVITIES

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

	Liquor License (on-premises)	Operator License	Permit	Other Authorization
Video Gambling Machines	X	X	X	
Live Card Games	X	X	X	
Live Bingo		X	X	
Live Keno		X	X	
Sports Pools				
Sports Tab Games	X			
Raffles			X ¹	
Calcutta Pools				X ²
Fantasy Sports Leagues				
Casino Nights			X	
Shake-a-day	X			
Shaking for music or drink	X			
Fishing Derbies				
Wagering on natural occurrences				

¹ A raffle permit is issued by the Board of County Commissioners.

² A calcutta pool is authorized through written approval by the Gambling Control Division.

